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SUBJECT: Department of Defense Explosives Safety Board (DDESB) Secretariat's Working Copy of DoD 6055.9-STD

At the 11 December 2002 DoD Explosives Safety Board (DDESB) Meeting, the Board approved the "re-write" version of DoD 6055.9-STD for publication as modified during the Board meeting. The "re-write" version of DoD 6055.9-STD was then posted to the DDESB Web Page in January 2003.

Prior to the 11 December 2002 Board meeting, the Technical Program Division was keeping current the DDESB Secretariat's "in-house" working copy of DoD 6055.9-STD. This version reflected the 1999 version of the Standard and incorporated all changes approved by the Board since staffing of the 1999 version of the Standard was initiated in January 1998. Following the 11 December meeting, the Technical Program Division began keeping both the in-house version and the newly Board-approved "re-write" version of DoD 6055.9-STD current.

Having two working documents of the Standard with the same content, but in different formats, was causing significant additional work for the Secretariat and, more importantly, was causing confusion to the explosives safety community with regards to which version of the Standard to use. Consequently, I have made the decision that the DDESB Secretariat will, effective immediately, only maintain the working copy of the "re-write" version of DoD 6055.9-STD. Also, per the Board's direction of 11 December 2002 (325th Board Meeting), this version will be the one with which we will move forward for publication.

In addition, the DDESB Secretariat will begin using the "re-write" version of DoD 6055.9-STD (latest revision), when conducting surveys, reviews of site plans, and the work of the Board. When included as a reference in DDESB Secretariat correspondence, the Standard will be identified as "DoD 6055.9-STD (Re-write) approved by DoD Explosives Safety Board at its 325th Meeting, 11 December 2002."

The DDESB Web Page will be modified to reflect the information contained herein.

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Chairman

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